



STATEMENT

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ISDA Director commends Dow AgroSciences on prestigious award

Note to the press: Please include the following statement from [Indiana State Department of Agriculture](#) (ISDA) Director, Ted McKinney, in your coverage of Dow AgroSciences receiving the prestigious U.S. EPA [Presidential Green Chemistry Challenge Award](#).

INDIANAPOLIS (June 15, 2016) – “Congratulations to Dow AgroSciences on receiving their sixth, highly coveted U.S. EPA Presidential Green Chemistry Challenge Award for developing the product Instinct,” said Ted McKinney, ISDA Director. “This breakthrough technology works to make nitrogen fertilizers, which are necessary for crop health, work more effectively for farmers while preventing nutrients from entering our waterways. As our department continues work to conserve Indiana’s natural resources, I applaud companies, like Dow AgroSciences, for developing new, innovative technologies that aim to improve soil health and water quality statewide while at the same time providing benefits for farmers.”

According to U.S. EPA’s website, the [Presidential Green Chemistry Challenge Awards](#) promote the environmental and economic benefits of developing and using novel green chemistry. These prestigious annual awards recognize chemical technologies that incorporate the principles of green chemistry into chemical design, manufacture and use. Throughout the 21 years of the awards program, EPA has presented awards to 109 winners.

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ABOUT ISDA

The [Indiana State Department of Agriculture \(ISDA\)](#) was established as a separate state agency by the Legislature in 2005. The Director is appointed by the Governor and is a member of the Governor’s Cabinet. Administratively, ISDA reports to [Lt. Governor Eric Holcomb](#), who also serves as Indiana’s Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development. Major responsibilities include advocacy for Indiana agriculture at the local, state and federal level, managing soil conservation programs, promoting economic development and agricultural innovation, serving as a regulatory ombudsman for agricultural businesses, and licensing grain firms throughout the state.

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